



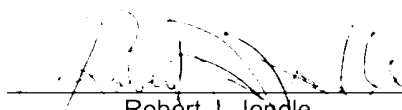
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	Filing Date	November 2001
	First Named Inventor	Robert N. BOWMAN
	Group Art Unit	1654
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**RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed March 27, 2003, please consider the following Response as shown on the attached pages.

**Remarks** begin on page 2 of this paper.